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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: RETURN OF AMBASSADORS FOR SEPTEMBER FOREIGN
MINISTERS TALKS

REF: A) STATE 202155, B) AMMAN 4864

1. I HEARTILY SUBSCRIBE TO TOM PICKERING'S
SENTIMENTS. IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY HELPFUL TO ME TO HAVE
A CHANCE FOR SOME ROUND TABLE EXCHANGES IN WASHINGTON
WITH MY COLLEAGUES FROM THE SURROUNDING ARAB STATES
DURING THE PERIOD IN SEPTEMBER OF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS
TALKS, AND IT WOULD BE HIGHLY IMPORTANT FOR ME TO BE
ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BILATERALS FOR THE REASONS
BOTH AMMAN AND THE DEPARTMENT CITE.

. I HAVE JUST HEARD FROM EVRON THAT YOU ARE DISCUSSING
WITH THE ISRAELI EMBASSY SLIPPING DAYAN'S MEETINGS TO
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THE BEGINNING OF THE WEEK WHICH COMMENCES ON SEPTEMBER 19.
ASSUMING THAT IS IN FACT WHERE YOU COME OUT, I WOULD
PLAN TO DEPART HERE ON THE 16TH ARRIVING THAT EVENING
RATHER THAN EARLIER AS ORGINALLY PROPOSED. PLEASE
CONFIRM.

3. IT IS HARD FOR ME TO SUGGEST HOW LONG WE SHOULD STAY

WITHOUT KNOWING THE TOTAL SCHEDULE OF TALKS WHICH
PRESUMABLY WILL GO ON IN NEW YORK THE WEEK OF THE 26TH
AND PERHAPS LONGER. I AM CERTAINLY NOT ANXIOUS TO BE
AWAY FROM HERE ANY LONGER THAN NECESSARY, BUT I THINK
IT IS IMPORTANT TO BE INVOLVED IN AS MUCH OF DAYAN'S
NEGOTIATING ACTIVITY AS POSSIBLE. SINCE I DO NOT
HAVE HERE ANY IDEA ABOUT THE SCHEDULE CONTEMPLATED
FOR NEW YORK, I FRANKLY CANNOT COMMENT FURTHER. I WILL
DO WHATEVER YOU THINK MOST USEFUL, BUT I SHOULD ADD
I ALREADY HAVE COMPLETE CONFIDENCE THAT DICK VIETS
CAN HANDLE THINGS HERE PERFECTLY WELL IN MY ABSENCE.
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